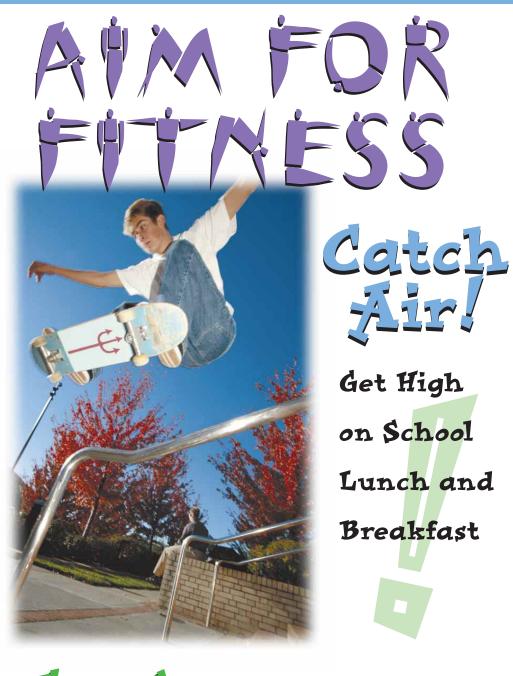


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Eat Smart, Play Hard!

# AIM FOR FITNESS



Aim for a healthy weight and be physically active each day



Jefferson County Adaptive P. E. teacher Jennifer Gutierrez is part of the 2000 Olympic Triathlon team. The Triathlon is a race that consists of a 1500-meter swim, 40-kilometer bike race, and a 10-kilometer run.



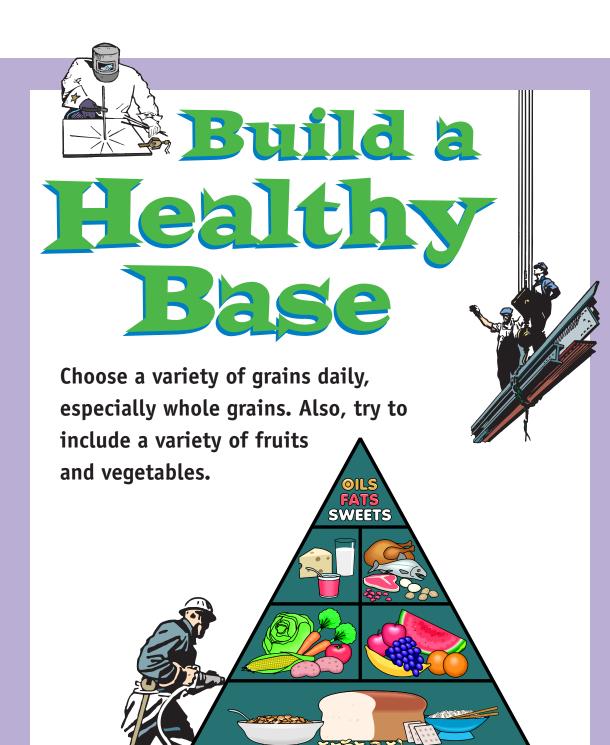
Strive to be YOUR own personal best!

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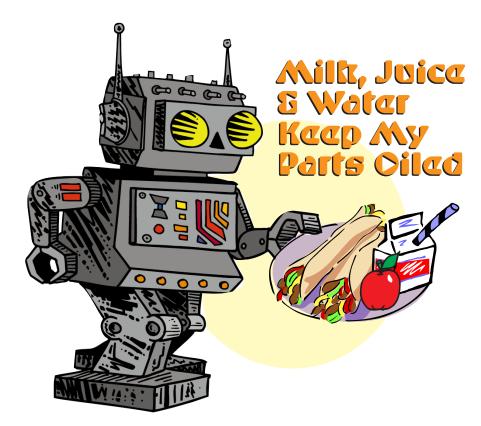
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Let the Food Guide Pyramid guide you so that you get the nutrients your body needs each day. Make grains, fruits and vegetables the foundation of your meals. This promotes good health and may prevent certain diseases.

### Choosa Sansibly

Choose beverages and foods that limit your intake of sugars and fats.



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## Choose Sensibly

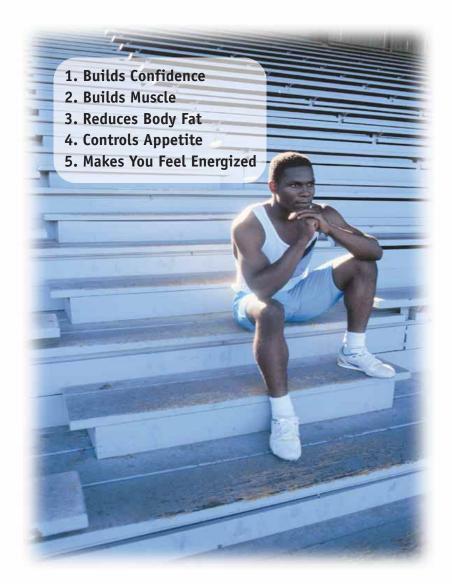
**nsearch** out sensible food choices



#### <Web Sites>

http://www.exhibits.pacsci.org/nutrition http://www.nutritionexplorations.org http://www.kidsfood.org http://www.nppc.org

### Good Reasons to Exercise:



After School—Get Active!

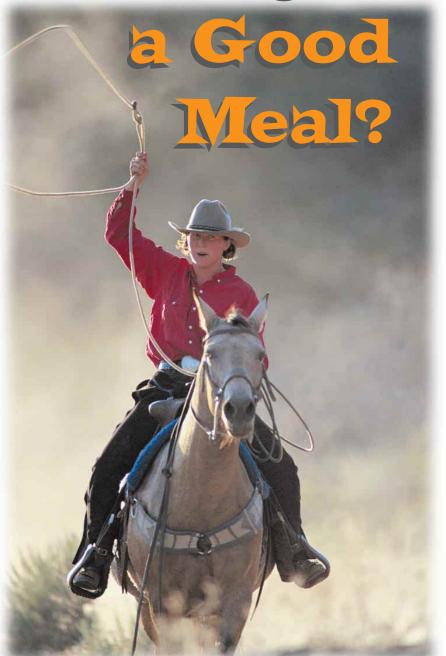
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of grains daily, especially whole grains. Also, try to include a variety of fruits and vegetables.

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Rope one at your school cafeteria!

### Breakfast—

### A PRIMMER FOR ACADEMNIC EXCELLENCE



#### Children...

- ✓ Have longer attention spans
- ✓ Perform better at complex tasks
- Score better on standardized tests
- ✓ Have better social skills
- ✓ Are more alert
- Miss fewer days of school
- ✓ Are generally healthier

#### ...when they eat breakfast

Linda Ballow, Principal, Adams 12 North Star Elementary, says, "classroom teachers have found breakfast helps kids focus, they have less referrals to the school nurse, and there is a reduction in tardiness."

North Star is offering breakfast in the classroom to students.

"It is imperative that every student have well-balanced nutritious diets. Food is the fuel to provide energy for the task of learning. Eating breakfast helps assure that the energy is there for learning, physical growth and development. —Dr. Joyce Bales, Superintendent, Pueblo School District No. 60

Pueblo 60 offers breakfast at most of their schools. The number of students qualifying for the free and reduced-price meals is 54%.

"We schedule high school and middle school students a 10-minute breakfast break after the first period of the day. Our breakfast participation is great and the students are more excited to eat at that time of day." —Carolyn Yokum, Superintendent, Holly School District, Holly, CO.

Holly implemented an alternative schedule to ensure middle and high school students had an opportunity to consume breakfast.

Third grade CSAP proficiency reading scores are up 64% to 71% at Avery-Parsons Elementary in Buena Vista Colorado. Bonnie Grover, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Avery-Parsons believes instituting breakfast was a contributing factor in the improvement of the scores."

Avery-Parsons instituted a breakfast program for all students.

- Advocate for consumption of breakfast by all students
- Explore non-traditional avenues for offering breakfast
- ✓ Breakfast is a KEY to academic excellence
- ✓ Breakfast is important every day—not just test day

For more information contact:

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